

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Canceled).

2. (Currently Amended) A process for producing an ink jet printer member which comprises:

placing a pre-formed plastic substrate having a prescribed form in a mold, and
melt-injecting an elastic material comprising a thermoplastic elastomer into said plastic[[s]] substrate, thereby integrally compositing the plastic substrate and the elastic material,

the elastic material comprising a thermoplastic elastomer which is a hydrogenated block copolymer selected from the group consisting of styrene-ethylene/butylene-styrene block copolymer and styrene-ethylene/propylene-styrene block copolymer, a softening agent in an amount of 50 to 300 parts by weight based on 100 parts by weight of the thermoplastic elastomer and a polyolefin resin in an amount of 0 to 100 parts by weight based on 100 parts by weight of the thermoplastic elastomer.

3. (Canceled).

4. (Previously Presented) The process for producing an ink jet printer member according to Claim 2, wherein the plastic substrate comprises at least one member selected from the group consisting of styrenic resin, olefinic resin, polyamide resin, polyester resin, modified polyphenylene ether, acrylic resin, polyacetal and polycarbonate.

5-8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) The process of Claim [[6]] 2, wherein the thermoplastic elastomer further comprises a polymerized monomer having a carboxylic acid group or a polymerized maleic anhydride group.

10. (Previously Presented) The process of Claim 2, wherein the thermoplastic elastomer comprises at least 10 to 70% by weight of amorphous polystyrene blocks, having a glass transition temperature of at least 60°C.

11-12. (Cancelled)

13. (Previously Presented) The process of Claim 2, wherein the thermoplastic elastomer has a three-dimensional continuous network skeleton structure.

14. (Previously Presented) The process of Claim 2, further comprising blending the thermoplastic elastomer with a polyphenylene ether resin prior to said melt-injecting.

15. (Previously Presented) The process of Claim 14, wherein the polyphenylene ether is present in an amount of 10 to 250 parts by weight, based on 100 parts by weight of the thermoplastic elastomer.

16. (Previously Presented) The process of Claim 2, further comprising blending the thermoplastic elastomer with a filler prior to said melt-injecting.

17. (Cancelled)

18. (Previously Presented) The process of Claim 2, further comprising blending the thermoplastic elastomer with at least one additive selected from the group consisting of a flame retardant, an antimicrobial agent, a hindered amine light stabilizer, an ultraviolet ray absorber, an antioxidant, a colorant, a silicone oil, a cumarone resin, a cumarone indene resin, a phenol terpene resin, a petroleum base hydrocarbon, a tackifier, and an adhesive elastomer prior to said melt-injecting.

19. (Previously Presented) The process of Claim 2, wherein the plastic substrate comprises a thermoplastic resin.

20. (Currently Amended) The process of Claim ~~[[2]]~~ 19, wherein the thermoplastic resin is selected from the group consisting of acrylonitrile-styrene resins, acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene resins, polystyrene, syndiotactic polystyrene, polyethylene, polypropylene, nylons, polyesters, polyester terephthalate, polybutylene terephthalate, modified polyphenylene ether, acrylic resins, polyacetals, and polycarbonates.

21. (Previously Presented) The process of Claim 16, wherein the filler is selected from the group consisting of clay, diatomaceous earth, silica, talc, barium sulfate, calcium carbonate, magnesium carbonate, metal oxides, mica, graphite, aluminum hydroxide, metal powders, wood particles, glass powder, ceramic powder, granular or powdery polymers, straw fibers, glass fibers, metallic fibers, and polymer fibers.

22. (Previously Presented) The process of Claim 16, wherein the filler is a hollow filler selected from the group consisting of glass balloons, silica balloons, and hollow particles of polyfluorovinylidene or polyfluorovinylidene copolymers.